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In re application of : Confirmation No. 5291

Mie TAKAHASHI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2001_1464A

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated January 24, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 5, 12, 27, 31, 41, 45, 49, 53 and 60.

- (X) A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
- (X) The extension fee of \$1,020.00 for a three-month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.
- () The Appeal Fee of [] \$500.00 (other than Small Entity) [] \$250.00 (Small Entity)
 - () is enclosed
 - () is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. The original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- () Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
 - () is enclosed.

- () has been previously submitted.
- (X) The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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